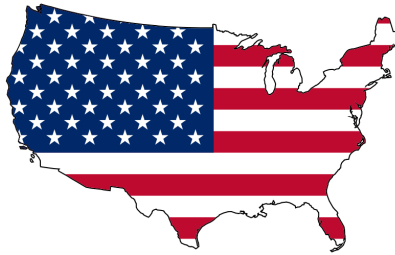


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President Obama holds a conference call with top national security advisers to discuss the international effort to enforce a no-fly zone over Libya to stop Libyan military forces from attacking civilians. ...

#### **2. Clinton Stirred by Visit to Egypt's Tahrir Square**

Secretary Hillary Rodham Clinton visits Tahrir Square in Cairo and says it is “an extraordinarily uplifting experience” to see the focal point of Egypt’s revolution. She also says the Egyptian people are prepared for the challenge of transforming their revolution into political and economic reforms. ...

#### **3. US Providing Japan with Any Assistance Needed, Obama Says**

President Obama says the United States is providing Japan with any assistance it needs. Civilian urban search-and-rescue teams and disaster experts are en route to the country, and U.S. military personnel based in Japan and elsewhere in the Pacific are being mobilized to help. ...

#### **4. Women of Courage Awardees Set Example for the World**

Ten women have been honored by first lady Michelle Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton for their exceptional courage in advocating for women’s rights and empowerment, often at great personal risk. ...

#### **5. First Lady Working to Change US Attitudes on Health**

First lady Michelle Obama is using her strong public influence to help change the way people in the United States think about health and nutrition. Her national campaign, called Let’s Move, is gaining support from experts who are concerned about childhood obesity. ...

#### **6. America Goes Green for St. Patrick's Day**

St. Patrick’s Day might be one of the world’s most celebrated holidays, with city-sponsored festivities in Japan, Australia, Canada, Malaysia, Great Britain and the United States, as well as Ireland. That geography reflects the broad dispersion of Irish during a 300-year migration. ...

**In case you missed it:**

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### **Vermont Donates CAT Scanner to State Hospital**

Ambassador Reeker and Major General Michael Dubie from the Vermont National Guard hail the donation of a CT Scan machine to the University Hospital in Skopje from citizens of the State of Vermont.

[Video](#)



### **Ambassador announces \$5.1 Million in Grants**

In a ceremony on Monday, March 14, Ambassador Reeker announced new grants to 5 NGOs totaling \$5.1 Million. ...



### **Japan's Earthquake and Tsunamis**

Secretary Clinton (Mar. 11): "The U.S. is an unwavering friend and ally of Japan, and we are committed to helping Japan respond and recover." ...

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## [Skopje Holocaust Memorial](#)

Secretary Clinton's Video Remarks (March 9, 2011): "The government of Macedonia has shown real leadership by enacting legislation resolving compensation claims for Jewish property stolen during the Holocaust ..."



## [100 Years Later, Progress and Challenges](#)

Op-ed by Mrs. Solveig Johnson Reeker: "The potential of women to contribute to economic growth and prosperity, social progress, peace, and good governance is still untapped in too many places. ..." [Printed version \(Press 24\) »](#)



## [Defense Department Legion of Merit Award](#)

Ambassador Reeker presented Colonel Zlatko Oncevski (retired) with the Department of Defense Legion of Merit Award for his outstanding service as Macedonia's Defense Attaché to the U.S. from 2004-2008. ...



## [World Premiere of Nikola Madzirov's New Book](#)

In honor of the U.S. publication of Nikola Madzirov's book of poems, Remnants of Another Age, the Deputy Chief of Mission hosted a reception. Nikola begins a promotional tour in the U.S. this month. [Photo Gallery »](#)



## [Ambassador welcomes National Handball Team](#)

Ambassador and Mrs. Reeker welcomed the Macedonian National Handball Team to the Embassy today, along with their coaches, managers and several sponsors in an expanded "Meet the Embassy" event. ... [Video »](#)

## [Fulbright Program Competition for Academic Year 2012-2013 is Now Open](#)

2012-2013 Application for the Fulbright Student program in the U. S. (Visiting Student Researchers and Masters Degree), ... **Application Deadline: JUNE 30, 2011**

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